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Supporting Bottom-Up Reforms HOW CONGRESS IS SEEKING TO HELP STATE, LOCAL, AND PRIVATE INITIATIVES

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- < Federal education dollars should support effective State and local education initiatives, ensuring that it neither impedes local innovation and control nor diverts funds from classrooms through burdensome regulations and overhead. Here are some of Congress' key legislative efforts to follow this practice.
 - **Dollars to the Classroom** – Focusing funds on students, not bureaucracies.
 - **Ed-Flex** – Providing regulatory flexibility in exchange for accountability.
 - **Education Savings Accounts** – Providing savings accounts for both college and K-12 expenses.
 - **DC Scholarships** – Allowing low-income DC students to attend private schools.
 - **Charter Schools** – Boosting funds and support for these innovative efforts.
 - **Straight A's** – Newly introduced legislation providing flexibility in the use of funds in exchange for accountability.
 - **Teacher Training** – Offering greater flexibility in the use of teacher training funds.
- < These efforts will be among the topics of a House Budget Committee hearing Thursday, looking at ways that States, localities, and private citizens are working to fix our schools from the bottom up. The hearing will be at 10:30 a.m. in Room 210 of the Cannon House Office Building.